FOR

The Earl of Cleveland.

THE Earl of *Cleveland* doth not doubt but that his Council have fully ſatisfied your Lordſhips in the Juſtice of his Cauſe, and the unreaſonableneſs of His Adverſaries Demands, and doth with ſome Confidence hope, That he ſhall not be undone for want of your Lordſhips Concurrence with the Houſe of Commons.

The ſtrength of all their Arguments was grounded upon their own Affirmation, *That the Truſtees of the Lord* Banning, *ſold that Eſtate as abſolute, to Sir* William Smith; For the truth of that, the Earl referreth your Lordſhips to Sir *William Smith*'s own Teſtimony, who did depoſe, That the Truſtees of my Lord *Banning* did refuſe to conveigh it unto him as an abſolute Eſtate by vertue of the Order of the Lords Houſe, made *April* 1641; but would conveigh it onely as a Mortgage. Indeed he ſaid, for the ſtrengthning of his own Title, That he did appoint a Soliciter to give the Earl notice; but whether he had notice, or not, he could not depoſe. They ſuggeſt further, That it is Sir *William Smith* his Intereſt, that this Bill ſhould paſs, which is an Artifice of theirs to leſſen your Lordſhips favour to the Earl, who doth aſſure your Lordſhips, Sir *William* is no ways concerned therein, nor expects any advantage from it, or the ſaid Earl: And he prays your Lordſhips to believe, The onely end of this Bill is to reſcue him from the Violence of His Adverſaries, that he may be enabled to pay his Debts, and have ſomething left for the ſubſiſtance of himſelf, and his Grandchild the Lord *Wentworth*'s Daughter.